

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re U.S. Patent Application Of:

Nan Shan Hwu

Application No.: 09/707,690

Filed: November 11, 2000

For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
AN ACTIVE STANDBY CONTROL  
SYSTEM ON A NETWORK

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application. Applicant is other than a small entity. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply. The shortened statutory period of response was set to expire on May 4, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one (1) month extension of time. With this extension, the time to respond is now set at June 4, 2004. Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$110.00 as the fee for the extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 19, 2004

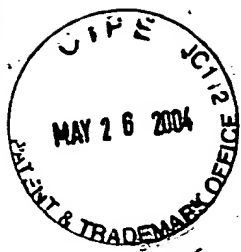
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Title : A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN ACTIVE STANDBY  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2004**

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Dear Examiner:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2004. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date. Applicant has filed concurrently herewith a request for a one-month extension of time. Accordingly, the time period for response is extended to June 4, 2004, and this Amendment is submitted within that time limit. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending Claims in the present Application in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.